22. *Medical.* Besides providing for the appointment of a small additional staff for the General Hospital, Trivandrum, as also in some other District Hospitals, funds have been included in the Medical Budget for the grant of honoraria to the Honorary House Surgeons attached to the more important of the District Hospitals. These Honorary House Surgeons do regular hospital work and thereby meet in some measure the demand for additional staff in the Medical Department.

23. *Public Health.* Vaccine to the value of about Rs 10,000 per year is now being purchased from the Pasteur Institute Coonoor, for anti-rabic treatment in the State. With a view to investigate the possibility of producing locally the vaccine required for anti-rabic treatment, the Superintendent of the Public Health Laboratory was trained in the King Institute, Guindy, in the methods of preparation of vaccine. He has submitted a scheme for the local production of all the vaccine required for use here, and for this purpose, a provision of Rs 8,215 has been included in the Public Health Budget. Of this Rs 7,500 constitutes the initial capital expenditure and the balance of Rs 715 represents the annual recurring expenditure.

The continuance of the existing health organisations in the taluks of Thovala, Agasteeswaram, Kalkulam, Vilavancode and Shencottah, as well as the production of cinema films for public health propaganda work have been provided for in the Budget.

24. *Public Works.* The allotment for ordinary public works expenditure for the next year including establishment charges and tools and plant is Rs 32·57 lakhs as against the current year's budget grant of Rs 32·26 lakhs, exclusive of the provision under Capital works for the Town Planning Scheme, the Council Chamber, University Buildings and Military works. Provision has been included in the P. W. D. Budget for a special staff to expedite the land acquisition proceedings so that sufficient progress may be made in the direction of improvements to irrigation works in the taluks of Neyyattinkara, Trivandrum, Nedumangad and a portion of the Vilavancode Taluk. Provision has also been made for the continuance of the temporary staff engaged in investigating the irrigation problem in South Travancore and the augmentation of the water of the Kodayar Supply.

25. A lump sum provision of Rs 3,000 is proposed to be placed under the control of the Economic Development Board for rendering financial help to Rural Development schemes,

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